

# ECO 745: Theory of International Economics

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## Eaton and Kortum (2002)

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Brief recap of last week. Basic framework is:

- Continuum of goods  $j \in [0,1]$
- $i, n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  countries
- Country unit input costs:  $c_i$
- Good specific productivity in country  $i$ :  $z_i(j) \Rightarrow$  cost of producing good  $j$  in country  $i$  is  $c_i/z_i(j)$
- Iceberg trade costs:  $d_{ni} > 1$  for  $i \neq n$  ( $d_{ii} = 1$ )
- Perfect competition  $\Rightarrow$  price charged by firms in country  $i$  to consumers in country  $n$  for good  $j$

$$p_{ni}(j) = \left( \frac{c_i}{z_i(j)} \right) d_{ni}$$

# Consumers and Prices

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Consumers have CES preferences over goods

$$U_n = \left[ \int_0^1 (Q_n(j))^{\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma}} dj \right]^{\frac{\sigma}{\sigma-1}}$$

Total expenditures of country  $n$  are  $X_n$

$$\int_0^1 p_n(j) Q_n(j) dj = X_n$$

The price of good  $j$  in country  $n$  is the minimum price across producers in all countries

$$\begin{aligned} p_n(j) &= \min\{p_{n1}(j), p_{n2}(j), \dots, p_{nN}(j)\} \\ &= \min \left\{ \left( \frac{c_1}{z_1(j)} \right) d_{n1}, \left( \frac{c_2}{z_2(j)} \right) d_{n2}, \dots, \left( \frac{c_N}{z_N(j)} \right) d_{nN} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

# Frechet Productivity Distribution

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Assume productivity in country  $i$  follows a Frechet( $T_i, \theta$ ) distribution

$$F_i(z) = P(Z \leq z) = e^{-T_i z^{-\theta}}$$

- $T_i > 0$  governs the location of the productivity distribution for country  $i$ .
  - Higher  $T_i \Rightarrow$  higher productivity draw more likely for any good  $j$
- $\theta > 0$  governs variation in the productivity distribution (common across countries)
  - Higher  $\theta \Rightarrow$  less variability across goods (governs degree of comparative advantage)
  - $\text{sd}[\log z] = \pi/(\theta\sqrt{6})$ ; Geometric Mean =  $e^{\gamma/\sigma T_i^{1/\theta}}$  ( $\gamma \approx .577$ , Euler's constant)

# Key Property of Frechet Productivity Distribution

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Why the Frechet distribution?

- The Frechet distribution is an Extreme Value (type II) distribution and is *max stable*
- Suppose  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_N$  follow  $\text{Frechet}(T_i, \theta)$  distributions. Define  $Z_{\max} = \max\{Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_N\}$ , then

$$F_{\max}(z) = e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N T_i z^\theta} = e^{-z^\theta \sum_{i=1}^N T_i}$$

So therefore  $Z_{\max} \sim \text{Frechet}(\sum_{i=1}^N T_i, \theta)$

# Distribution of Prices

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- Define  $G_{ni}(p)$  as the proportion of prices offered by country  $i$  to country  $n$  that are less than  $p$

$$G_{ni}(p) = \Pr(P_{ni} < p) = \Pr\left(Z > \frac{c_i}{p} d_{ni}\right) = 1 - F_i(c_i d_{ni}/p) = 1 - e^{-T_i(c_i d_{ni})^{-\theta} p^\theta}$$

- Let  $G_n(p)$  be share of (minimal) prices offered in country  $n$  that are less than  $p$

$$G_n(p) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^N (1 - G_{ni}(p)) = 1 - e^{-\Phi_n p^\theta}, \quad \text{where } \Phi_n = \sum_{i=1}^N T_i(c_i d_{ni})^{-\theta}$$

- The probability that country  $i$  is the lowest cost producer of good  $j$  to country  $n$ ,  $\pi_{ni}$ , is

$$\pi_{ni} = \int_0^\infty \underbrace{\prod_{\substack{s=1 \\ s \neq i}}^N \Pr(P_{ns} > p)}_{\text{Prob. no other country offers a price less than } p} \underbrace{\frac{d \Pr(P_{ni} \leq p)}{d}}_{\text{Prob. country } i \text{ offers a price } \leq p} \pi_{ni} = \frac{T_i(c_i d_{ni})^{-\theta}}{\Phi_n}$$

# CES Price Index

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The CES Price index can be derived as

$$p_n = \left( \int_0^1 (p_n(j))^{1-\sigma} dj \right)^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}} = \gamma(\Phi_n)^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

Where

$$\gamma = \left[ \Gamma \left( \frac{\theta + 1 - \sigma}{\theta} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\sigma}}$$

and  $\Gamma[t]$  is the Gamma function

$$\Gamma(t) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{t-1} e^{-x} dx$$

# Aggregate Bilateral Trade Flows

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Distribution of prices is independent of origin of lowest cost producer

- Can compute fraction of country  $n$ 's expenditure on goods from country  $i$

$$\frac{X_{ni}}{X_n} = \pi_{ni} = \frac{T_i(c_i d_{ni})^{-\theta}}{\Phi_n}$$

- Let  $Q_i = \sum_{m=1}^N X_{mi}$ , then get the following gravity type relationship for trade flows

$$X_{ni} = \frac{\left(\frac{d_{ni}}{p_n}\right)^{-\theta} X_n}{\left(\sum_{m=1}^N \left(\frac{d_{mi}}{p_m}\right)^{-\theta} X_m\right)} Q_i$$



# Closing the Model

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Where  $q_{ni}(j)$  is a CES aggregate of intermediate goods,  $q_{ni}^j(j')$ , used in the production of  $j$

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This implies that the cost of an input bundle in country  $i$  will be equal to

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Note that if the real wage is higher, welfare will be higher. Can compare real wage to autarky real wage by noting that  $\pi_{ii}^{\text{autarky}} = 1$ . Conditional on observed  $\pi_{ii}$ , welfare gains higher if  $\theta, \beta \downarrow$

# Equilibrium Prices

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Plugging in input cost to price level yields:

$$p_n = \gamma(\Phi_n)^{-\frac{1}{\theta}} = \gamma \left( \sum_{i=1}^N T_i (c_i d_{ni})^{-\theta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\theta}} = \gamma \left( \sum_{i=1}^N T_i (w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta} d_{ni})^{-\theta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

Which, given  $w_i$ , generally needs to be solved numerically for the  $p_i$ 's. We can also write

$$\frac{X_{ni}}{X_n} = \pi_{ni} = T_i \left( \frac{\gamma d_{ni} w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta}}{p_n} \right)^{-\theta}$$

# Labor Market Equilibrium

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Labor income is equal to labor's share of value of output

$$w_i L_i = \beta Q_i = \beta \sum_{n=1}^N X_{ni} = \beta \sum_{n=1}^N \pi_{ni} X_n$$

Total expenditures in country  $n$  are

$$X_n = \underbrace{\frac{1-\beta}{\beta} w_n L_n}_{\text{intermediate inputs}} + \underbrace{w_n L_n}_{\text{final consumption}} = \frac{1}{\beta} w_n L_n$$

Wages therefore satisfy

$$w_i L_i = \sum_{n=1}^N \pi_{ni} w_n L_n$$

# Solving Equilibrium

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The equilibrium is pinned down by the following sets of equations

$$w_i L_i = \sum_{n=1}^N \pi_{ni} w_n L_n, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$\pi_{ni} = T_i \left( \frac{\gamma d_{ni} w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta}}{p_n} \right)^{-\theta}, \quad i, n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$p_n = \gamma \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i \left( d_{ni} w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta} \right)^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

In general, this system of equations needs to be solved numerically

## Special Case: Free Trade

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Under free trade  $d_{ni} = 1 \forall i, n$ .

Therefore good prices are equalized across countries,  $p_i = p_n \forall i, n$ , which means

$$\pi_{ni} = T_i \left( \gamma w_i^\beta p_i^{-\beta} \right)^{-\theta}$$

And therefore

$$\frac{w_i L_i}{w_n L_n} = \frac{\pi_i \sum_{m=1}^N w_m L_m}{\pi_n \sum_{m=1}^N w_m L_m} = \frac{T_i \left( \gamma w_i^\beta p_i^{-\beta} \right)^{-\theta}}{T_n \left( \gamma w_n^\beta p_n^{-\beta} \right)^{-\theta}} = \frac{T_i \left( \gamma w_i^\beta \right)^{-\theta}}{T_n \left( \gamma w_n^\beta \right)^{-\theta}}$$

Rearranging gives

$$\frac{w_i}{w_n} = \left( \frac{T_i/L_i}{T_n/L_n} \right)^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}}$$



## Special Case: Free Trade

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Price is same for all countries and determined by

$$p_n = \gamma \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i (w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta})^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}} = \gamma \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i (w_i^\beta p_n^{1-\beta})^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

Rearranging and substituting in relative wages gives

$$p_n^\beta = \gamma \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i (w_i^\beta)^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}} = \gamma \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i \left( \left( w_n \left( \frac{T_i/L_i}{T_n/L_n} \right)^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} \right)^\beta \right)^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

Solving for relative wages yields

$$\frac{w_n}{p_n} = \gamma^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} T_n^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} (L_k/L_i)^{\frac{\theta\beta}{1+\theta\beta}} \right]^{\frac{1}{\theta\beta}}$$

## Special Case: Free Trade — Real Wage Discussion

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Note that real wages equal Real GDP per capita as GDP is  $w_i L_i$ . From our formula we have

$$\frac{w_n}{p_n} = \gamma^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} T_n^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} (L_i/L_n)^{\frac{\theta\beta}{1+\theta\beta}} \right]^{\frac{1}{\theta\beta}}$$

Therefore country  $n$ 's GDP per capita increases under free trade if:

- Its average productivity increases ( $T_n \uparrow$ ), both because the demand for country  $n$ 's labor increases and goods become cheaper
- Other countries average productivity increases ( $T_i \uparrow, i \neq j$ ) as goods become cheaper. Note this impact scales with the size of the labor force for the foreign country.

## Special Case: Autarky

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In autarky  $d_{ni} = \infty \forall n \neq i$ , while  $d_{ii} = 1$ . Therefore  $\pi_{ii} = 1$  and the third equation becomes

$$p_i = \gamma \left[ T_i \left( w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta} \right)^{-\theta} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\theta}}$$

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Note every country is better off under free trade as

$$\frac{w_n}{p_n} = \gamma^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} T_n^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} (L_i/L_n)^{\frac{\theta\beta}{1+\theta\beta}} \right]^{\frac{1}{\theta\beta}} = \gamma^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} T_n^{\frac{1}{\theta\beta}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \overbrace{(T_i/T_n)^{\frac{1}{1+\theta\beta}} (L_i/L_n)^{\frac{\theta\beta}{1+\theta\beta}}}^{>1 \text{ as it includes } i=n} \right]^{\frac{1}{\theta\beta}}$$

# Counterfactuals and Model Parameters

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Need to estimate parameters of model in order to perform counterfactuals

- First need an estimate of  $\theta$ 
  - Several ways to estimate, depending on data availability (see paper). Will present the default.
- Then, given  $\theta$ , can estimate  $T_i$  (technology) and  $d_{ni}$  (geography)
- Can use parameter estimates to perform counterfactuals such as gains from moving from autarky to implied trade costs, or additional gains from moving to a frictionless world/further reducing trade costs.

# Estimating Theta: Pricing Data

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Can express country  $n$ 's import share from  $i$  relative to country  $i$ 's domestic consumption as

$$\frac{X_{ni}/X_n}{X_{ii}/X_i} = \left( \frac{p_i d_{ni}}{p_n} \right)^{-\theta}$$

Which provides a relationship between normalized trade share and prices

- Use data on normalized import shares from 19 OECD countries in 1990
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# Estimating the Model's Gravity Equation: Pricing Data

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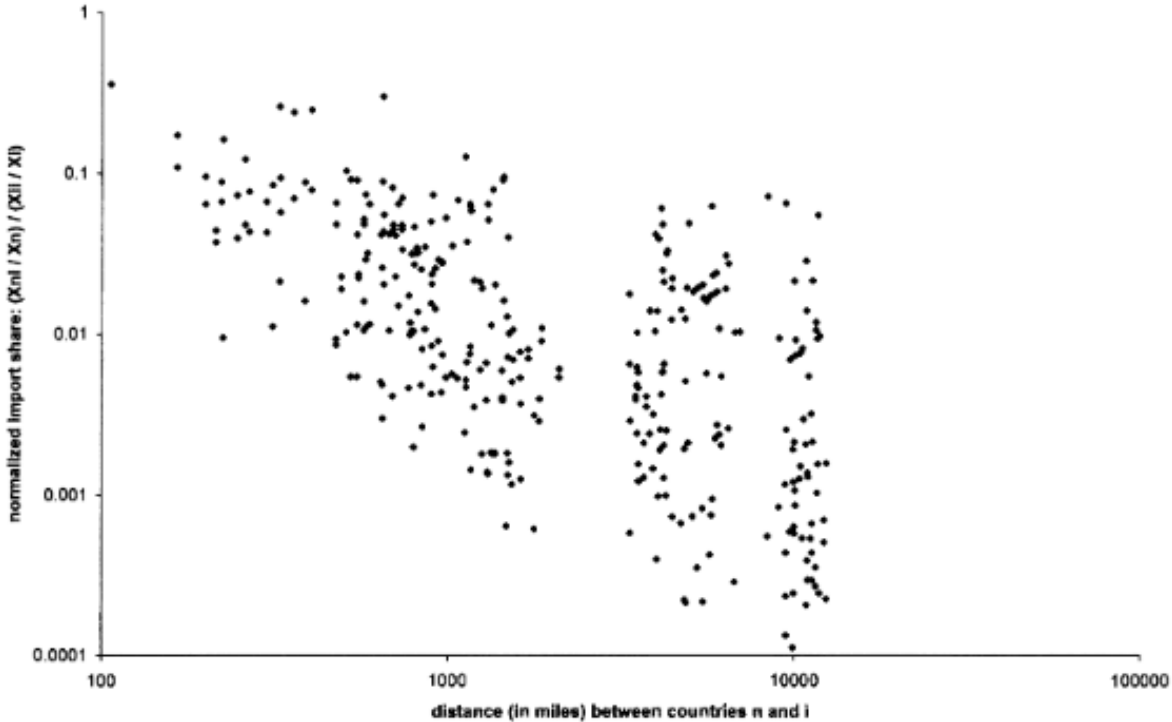


FIGURE 1.—Trade and geography.

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- Could use distance as a proxy for  $d_{ni}$ , but distance potentially confounds  $\theta$  and  $d_{ni}$
- Pricing data on 50 products across the 19 OECD countries: use to estimate  $p_i d_{ni}/p_n$



## Estimating Theta: Pricing Data

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Compute logged relative prices for each country pair and good

$$r_{ni}(j) = \log p_n(j) - \log p_i(j)$$

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To estimate distance, note in model  $r_{ni}(j) \leq d_{ni} \forall j$ , as otherwise  $n$  could import good  $j$  from  $i$  and have  $r_{ni}(j) = d_{ni}$

Estimate  $d_{ni}$  as the (second) highest value of  $r_{ni}$  across  $j$ , so

$$D_{ni} := \log \left( \frac{p_i d_{ni}}{p_n} \right) = \frac{2\text{ndmax}_j \{r_{ni}(j)\}}{\sum_{j=1}^{50} [r_{ni}(j)]/50}$$

# $D_{ni}$ Estimate Ranges

## PRICE MEASURE STATISTICS

Country	Foreign Sources		Foreign Destinations	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
Australia (AL)	NE (1.44)	PO (2.25)	BE (1.41)	US (2.03)
Austria (AS)	SW (1.39)	NZ (2.16)	UK (1.47)	JP (1.97)
Belgium (BE)	GE (1.25)	JP (2.02)	GE (1.35)	SW (1.77)
Canada (CA)	US (1.58)	NZ (2.57)	AS (1.57)	US (2.14)
Denmark (DK)	FI (1.36)	PO (2.21)	NE (1.48)	US (2.41)
Finland (FI)	SW (1.38)	PO (2.61)	DK (1.36)	US (2.87)
France (FR)	GE (1.33)	NZ (2.42)	BE (1.40)	JP (2.40)
Germany (GE)	BE (1.35)	NZ (2.28)	BE (1.25)	US (2.22)
Greece (GR)	SP (1.61)	NZ (2.71)	NE (1.48)	US (2.27)
Italy (IT)	FR (1.45)	NZ (2.19)	AS (1.46)	JP (2.10)
Japan (JP)	BE (1.62)	PO (3.25)	AL (1.72)	US (3.08)
Netherlands (NE)	GE (1.30)	NZ (2.17)	DK (1.39)	NZ (2.01)
New Zealand (NZ)	CA (1.60)	PO (2.08)	AL (1.64)	GR (2.71)
Norway (NO)	FI (1.45)	JP (2.84)	SW (1.36)	US (2.31)
Portugal (PO)	BE (1.49)	JP (2.56)	SP (1.59)	JP (3.25)
Spain (SP)	BE (1.39)	JP (2.47)	NO (1.51)	JP (3.05)
Sweden (SW)	NO (1.36)	US (2.70)	FI (1.38)	US (2.01)
United Kingdom (UK)	NE (1.46)	JP (2.37)	FR (1.52)	NZ (2.04)
United States (US)	FR (1.57)	JP (3.08)	CA (1.58)	SW (2.70)

## Estimating Theta: Pricing Data

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Estimate the following regression:

$$\log\left(\frac{X_{ni}/X_n}{X_{ii}/X_i}\right) = -\theta D_{ni}$$

Import shares from bilateral trade data, noting  $X_{ii} = X_i - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq i}}^N X_{ni}$

Yields an estimate of  $\theta = 8.28$

# Trade Shares vs $D_{ni}$ Estimates

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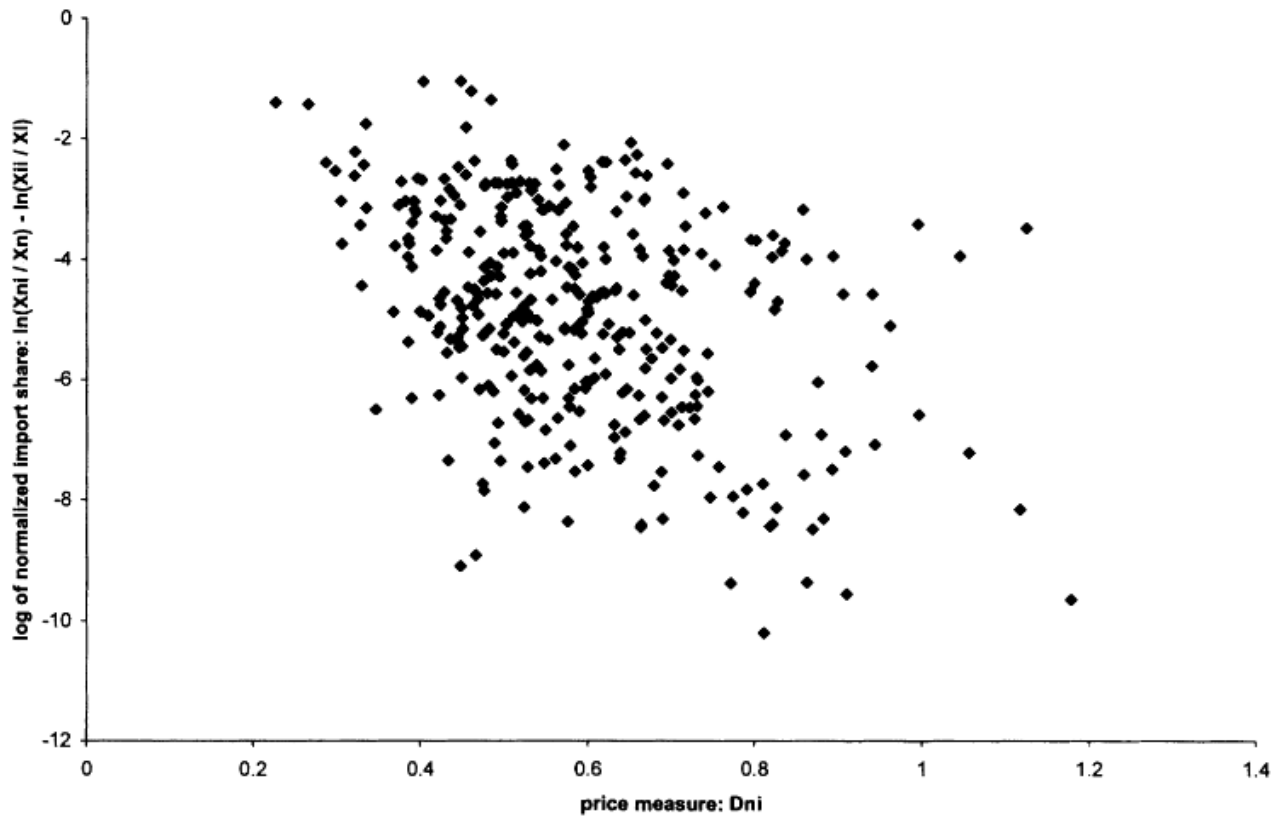


FIGURE 2.—Trade and prices.

# Estimating the Model's Gravity Equation

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Recall  $\frac{X_{ni}}{X_n} = \pi_{ni} = T_i \left( \frac{\gamma d_{ni} w_i^\beta p_i^{1-\beta}}{p_n} \right)^{-\theta}$ . Note that we can normalize imports by domestic sales to get

$$\frac{X_{ni}}{X_{nn}} = \frac{T_i}{T_n} \left( \frac{w_i}{w_n} \right)^{-\theta\beta} \left( \frac{p_i}{p_n} \right)^{-\theta(1-\beta)} d_{ni}^{-\theta}$$

And we also have from combining  $\frac{X_{nn}}{X_n}$  and  $\frac{X_{ii}}{X_i}$  that

$$\frac{p_i}{p_n} = \frac{w_i}{w_n} \left( \frac{T_i}{T_n} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\theta\beta}} \left( \frac{X_i/X_{ii}}{X_n/X_{nn}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{\theta\beta}}$$

# Estimating the Model's Gravity Equation

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Combining the previous two equations and taking logs yields

$$\log \frac{X'_{ni}}{X'_{nn}} = -\theta d_{ni} + \frac{1}{\beta} \log \frac{T_i}{T_n} - \theta \log \frac{w_i}{w_n}$$

Where  $\log X'_{ni} := \log X_{ni} - [(1 - \beta)/\beta] \log(X_i/X_{ii})$ .

Note if we define  $S_i := \frac{1}{\beta} \log T_i - \theta \log w_i$ , then the gravity equation becomes

$$\log \frac{X'_{ni}}{X'_{nn}} = -\theta \log d_{ni} + S_i - S_n$$

Where  $S_i$  is country  $i$ 's "competitiveness," or technology adjusted for labor costs

# Estimating the Model's Gravity Equation

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$$\log \frac{X'_{ni}}{X'_{nn}} = -\theta \log d_{ni} + S_i - S_n$$

- Can compute  $\log \frac{X'_{ni}}{X'_{nn}}$  from bilateral trade data (with  $\beta = 0.21$ , the average labor share in sample)
- $S_i$  and  $S_n$  are estimated with country fixed effects
- Still have problem with distance, estimate following gravity literature

$$\log d_{ni} = d_k + b + l + e_h + m_h + \delta_{ni}$$

- Where  $d_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 6$ , is a distance range;  $b$  is a shared border;  $l$  is a shared language;  $e_h$  is if both are in a shared trading area ( $h = 1 \Rightarrow$  European Community,  $h = 2 \Rightarrow$  European Free Trade Area);  $m_n$  is a destination effect, and  $\delta_{ni}$  is the error term



# Bilateral Gravity Equation Estimates

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## BILATERAL TRADE EQUATION

Variable		est.	s.e.
Distance [0, 375)	$-\theta d_1$	-3.10	(0.16)
Distance [375, 750)	$-\theta d_2$	-3.66	(0.11)
Distance [750, 1500)	$-\theta d_3$	-4.03	(0.10)
Distance [1500, 3000)	$-\theta d_4$	-4.22	(0.16)
Distance [3000, 6000)	$-\theta d_5$	-6.06	(0.09)
Distance [6000, maximum]	$-\theta d_6$	-6.56	(0.10)
Shared border	$-\theta b$	0.30	(0.14)
Shared language	$-\theta l$	0.51	(0.15)
European Community	$-\theta e_1$	0.04	(0.13)
EFTA	$-\theta e_2$	0.54	(0.19)

# Bilateral Gravity Equation Estimates

Country	Source Country		Destination Country	
	est.	s.e.	est.	s.e.
Australia	$S_1$	0.19 (0.15)	$-\theta m_1$	0.24 (0.27)
Austria	$S_2$	-1.16 (0.12)	$-\theta m_2$	-1.68 (0.21)
Belgium	$S_3$	-3.34 (0.11)	$-\theta m_3$	1.12 (0.19)
Canada	$S_4$	0.41 (0.14)	$-\theta m_4$	0.69 (0.25)
Denmark	$S_5$	-1.75 (0.12)	$-\theta m_5$	-0.51 (0.19)
Finland	$S_6$	-0.52 (0.12)	$-\theta m_6$	-1.33 (0.22)
France	$S_7$	1.28 (0.11)	$-\theta m_7$	0.22 (0.19)
Germany	$S_8$	2.35 (0.12)	$-\theta m_8$	1.00 (0.19)
Greece	$S_9$	-2.81 (0.12)	$-\theta m_9$	-2.36 (0.20)
Italy	$S_{10}$	1.78 (0.11)	$-\theta m_{10}$	0.07 (0.19)
Japan	$S_{11}$	4.20 (0.13)	$-\theta m_{11}$	1.59 (0.22)
Netherlands	$S_{12}$	-2.19 (0.11)	$-\theta m_{12}$	1.00 (0.19)
New Zealand	$S_{13}$	-1.20 (0.15)	$-\theta m_{13}$	0.07 (0.27)
Norway	$S_{14}$	-1.35 (0.12)	$-\theta m_{14}$	-1.00 (0.21)
Portugal	$S_{15}$	-1.57 (0.12)	$-\theta m_{15}$	-1.21 (0.21)
Spain	$S_{16}$	0.30 (0.12)	$-\theta m_{16}$	-1.16 (0.19)
Sweden	$S_{17}$	0.01 (0.12)	$-\theta m_{17}$	-0.02 (0.22)
United Kingdom	$S_{18}$	1.37 (0.12)	$-\theta m_{18}$	0.81 (0.19)
United States	$S_{19}$	3.98 (0.14)	$-\theta m_{19}$	2.46 (0.25)
Total Sum of squares	2937		Error Variance:	
Sum of squared residuals	71		Two-way ( $\theta^2 \sigma_2^2$ )	0.05
Number of observations	342		One-way ( $\theta^2 \sigma_1^2$ )	0.16

# Estimating Technology and Distance

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To estimate technology parameters, note that

$$S_i := \frac{1}{\beta} \log T_i - \theta \log w_i$$

- Use estimated  $\beta = 0.21$  from average labor share, estimate  $\theta = 8.21$  from before, and then wage data (adjusted for education) for  $w_i$ .
- Then  $T_i$  is given by the estimate of  $S_i$  from the gravity regression.
- For trade costs (geography effects), plug in errors from gravity regression into  $d_{ni}$  regression

$$\log d_{ni} = d_k + b + l + e_h + m_h + \delta_{ni}$$

# Technology Parameter Estimates

## STATES OF TECHNOLOGY

Country	Estimated Source-country Competitiveness	Implied States of Technology		
		$\theta = 8.28$	$\theta = 3.60$	$\theta = 12.86$
Australia	0.19	0.27	0.36	0.20
Austria	-1.16	0.26	0.30	0.23
Belgium	-3.34	0.24	0.22	0.26
Canada	0.41	0.46	0.47	0.46
Denmark	-1.75	0.35	0.32	0.38
Finland	-0.52	0.45	0.41	0.50
France	1.28	0.64	0.60	0.69
Germany	2.35	0.81	0.75	0.86
Greece	-2.81	0.07	0.14	0.04
Italy	1.78	0.50	0.57	0.45
Japan	4.20	0.89	0.97	0.81
Netherlands	-2.19	0.30	0.28	0.32
New Zealand	-1.20	0.12	0.22	0.07
Norway	-1.35	0.43	0.37	0.50
Portugal	-1.57	0.04	0.13	0.01
Spain	0.30	0.21	0.33	0.14
Sweden	0.01	0.51	0.47	0.57
United Kingdom	1.37	0.49	0.53	0.44
United States	3.98	1.00	1.00	1.00

# Geographic Barrier Estimates (effect on $d_{ni}$ )

## GEOGRAPHIC BARRIERS

Source of Barrier	Estimated Geography Parameters	Implied Barrier's % Effect on Cost		
		$\theta = 8.28$	$\theta = 3.60$	$\theta = 12.86$
Distance [0, 375)	-3.10	45.39	136.51	27.25
Distance [375, 750)	-3.66	55.67	176.74	32.97
Distance [750, 1500)	-4.03	62.77	206.65	36.85
Distance [1500, 3000)	-4.22	66.44	222.75	38.82
Distance [3000, 6000)	-6.06	108.02	439.04	60.25
Distance [6000, maximum]	-6.56	120.82	518.43	66.54
Shared border	0.30	-3.51	-7.89	-2.27
Shared language	0.51	-5.99	-13.25	-3.90
European Community	0.04	-0.44	-1.02	-0.29
EFTA	0.54	-6.28	-13.85	-4.09

# Geographic Barrier Estimates (effect on $d_{ni}$ )

Source of Barrier	Estimated Geography Parameters	Implied Barrier's % Effect on Cost		
		$\theta = 8.28$	$\theta = 3.60$	$\theta = 12.86$
Destination country:				
Australia	0.24	-2.81	-6.35	-1.82
Austria	-1.68	22.46	59.37	13.94
Belgium	1.12	-12.65	-26.74	-8.34
Canada	0.69	-7.99	-17.42	-5.22
Denmark	-0.51	6.33	15.15	4.03
Finland	-1.33	17.49	44.88	10.94
France	0.22	-2.61	-5.90	-1.69
Germany	1.00	-11.39	-24.27	-7.49
Greece	-2.36	32.93	92.45	20.11
Italy	0.07	-0.86	-1.97	-0.56
Japan	1.59	-17.43	-35.62	-11.60
Netherlands	1.00	-11.42	-24.33	-7.51
New Zealand	0.07	-0.80	-1.83	-0.52
Norway	-1.00	12.85	32.06	8.10
Portugal	-1.21	15.69	39.82	9.84
Spain	-1.16	14.98	37.85	9.40
Sweden	-0.02	0.30	0.69	0.19
United Kingdom	0.81	-9.36	-20.23	-6.13
United States	2.46	-25.70	-49.49	-17.40

# Counterfactuals

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Suppose countries have income  $Y$  and share  $\alpha$  is spent on the manufacturing (tradable) sector.

Consider two cases for labor market. Both change equations for (manufacturing) wages slightly

- Manufacturing labor supply is fixed  $\Rightarrow$  Manufacturing labor income changes only with wages
- Labor supply is fully mobile  $\Rightarrow$  as wages change, manufacturing labor supply changes

Need a measure to evaluate welfare using real GDP =  $Y_n/p_n^\alpha$  (non-manufacturing is a numeraire):

$$\frac{\log RGDP'}{\log RGDP} = \frac{\log Y'_n}{\log Y} - \alpha \log \frac{p'_n}{p_n} \approx \overbrace{\frac{w'_n - w_n}{w_n} \left( \frac{w_n L_n}{Y_n} \right)}^{\text{income effect}} - \overbrace{\alpha \log \frac{p'_n}{p_n}}^{\text{price effect}}$$

Note with mobile labor the income effect disappears

# Counterfactuals

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Base parameters are as follows:

SUMMARY OF PARAMETERS

Parameter	Definition	Value	Source
$\theta$	comparative advantage	8.28 (3.60, 12.86)	Section 3 (Section 5.2, Section 5.3)
$\alpha$	manufacturing share	0.13	production and trade data
$\beta$	labor share in costs	0.21	wage costs in gross output
$T_i$	states of technology	Table VI	source effects stripped of wages
$d_{ni}$	geographic barriers	Table VII	geographic proxies adjusted for $\theta$

Two counterfactuals

- Welfare losses from moving to autarky ( $d_{ni} = \infty, \forall n \neq i$ ) from current trade ( $d_{ni}$  as estimated)
- Welfare gains from moving to a frictionless world ( $d_{ni} = 1$ ) or doubling trade



# Welfare Losses from Moving to Autarky

## THE GAINS FROM TRADE: RAISING GEOGRAPHIC BARRIERS

Country	Percentage Change from Baseline to Autarky					
	Mobile Labor			Immobile Labor		
	Welfare	Mfg. Prices	Mfg. Labor	Welfare	Mfg. Prices	Mfg. Wages
Australia	-1.5	11.1	48.7	-3.0	65.6	54.5
Austria	-3.2	24.1	3.9	-3.3	28.6	4.5
Belgium	-10.3	76.0	2.8	-10.3	79.2	3.2
Canada	-6.5	48.4	6.6	-6.6	55.9	7.6
Denmark	-5.5	40.5	16.3	-5.6	59.1	18.6
Finland	-2.4	18.1	8.5	-2.5	27.9	9.7
France	-2.5	18.2	8.6	-2.5	28.0	9.8
Germany	-1.7	12.8	-38.7	-3.1	-33.6	-46.3
Greece	-3.2	24.1	84.9	-7.3	117.5	93.4
Italy	-1.7	12.7	7.3	-1.7	21.1	8.4
Japan	-0.2	1.6	-8.6	-0.3	-8.4	-10.0
Netherlands	-8.7	64.2	18.4	-8.9	85.2	21.0
New Zealand	-2.9	21.2	36.8	-3.8	62.7	41.4
Norway	-4.3	32.1	41.1	-5.4	78.3	46.2
Portugal	-3.4	25.3	25.1	-3.9	53.8	28.4
Spain	-1.4	10.4	19.8	-1.7	32.9	22.5
Sweden	-3.2	23.6	-3.7	-3.2	19.3	-4.3
United Kingdom	-2.6	19.2	-6.0	-2.6	12.3	-6.9
United States	-0.8	6.3	8.1	-0.9	15.5	9.3

Notes: All percentage changes are calculated as  $100\ln(x'/x)$  where  $x'$  is the outcome under autarky ( $d_{ni} \rightarrow \infty$  for  $n \neq i$ ) and  $x$  is the outcome in the baseline.

# Welfare Gains from Reducing Trade Costs

## THE GAINS FROM TRADE: LOWERING GEOGRAPHIC BARRIERS

Country	Percentage Changes in the Case of Mobile Labor					
	Baseline to Zero Gravity			Baseline to Doubled Trade		
	Welfare	Mfg. Prices	Mfg. Labor	Welfare	Mfg. Prices	Mfg. Labor
Australia	21.1	-156.7	153.2	2.3	-17.1	-16.8
Austria	21.6	-160.3	141.5	2.8	-20.9	41.1
Belgium	18.5	-137.2	69.6	2.5	-18.6	68.8
Canada	18.7	-139.0	11.4	1.9	-14.3	3.9
Denmark	20.7	-153.9	156.9	2.9	-21.5	72.6
Finland	21.7	-160.7	172.1	2.8	-20.9	44.3
France	18.7	-138.3	-7.0	2.3	-16.8	15.5
Germany	17.3	-128.7	-50.4	1.9	-14.3	12.9
Greece	24.1	-178.6	256.5	3.3	-24.8	29.6
Italy	18.9	-140.3	6.8	2.2	-16.1	5.7
Japan	16.6	-123.5	-59.8	0.9	-6.7	-24.4
Netherlands	18.5	-137.6	67.3	2.5	-18.5	65.6
New Zealand	22.2	-164.4	301.4	2.8	-20.5	50.2
Norway	21.7	-161.0	195.2	3.1	-22.9	69.3
Portugal	22.3	-165.3	237.4	3.1	-22.8	67.3
Spain	20.9	-155.0	77.5	2.4	-18.0	-4.4
Sweden	20.0	-148.3	118.8	2.7	-19.7	55.4
United Kingdom	18.2	-134.8	3.3	2.2	-16.4	28.5
United States	16.1	-119.1	-105.1	1.2	-9.0	-26.2

*Notes:* All percentage changes are calculated as  $100\ln(x'/x)$  where  $x'$  is the outcome under lower geographic barriers and  $x$  is the outcome in the baseline.